

ORDER OF WORSHIP

APRIL 22, 2018

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Joe Collins
*GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS		
PRELUDE	<i>"Song of Rejoicing"</i>	Peery
PRESENTING THE CROSS		
PRESENTING THE LIGHT		
INTROIT	<i>"My Tribute Medley"</i>	Chancel Choir
*HYMN	<i>"I Love to Tell the Story"</i>	No. 156
PASTORAL PRAYER		Rev. Joe Collins
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
CHILDREN'S CORNER		Jeanna Spiker
OFFERING		
Offertory	<i>"The Still Small Voice of Calm"</i>	Rasley
*Doxology		No. 95
ANTHEM	<i>"The Day He Wore My Crown"</i>	Solo: Dennis Bradley
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Genesis 3:1-17	OT, Pg. 2
MESSAGE	"The Serpent"	Rev. Joe Collins

A SERVICE OF CONSECRATION & COMMITMENT

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry Members: Betty Smith, Carol Metzger, Linda Alexander, Helen Dellinger, Ilene Dellinger, Debbie Gantt, Katherine Goins, Kathy Kiser, Mary Etta Stephenson, Jerry Thornburg, and Bobbi Conner.

We come together and offer our hands. Hands that move almost in unison like a fine tuned orchestra Hands that weave a prayer and play a lovely oft thread in harmony with clicking needles until it becomes a Prelude, an overture..

...to feeling God's presence... To seeing how God cares for others through our caring... An overture to letting us witness God's mysterious presence in a tangible and concrete form... To remind us that in this simple act of knitting shawls "our hands become God's hands" ... Let us be thankful for the the music of love and caring that grows out of this sacred movement until it becomes a symphony of God's love with the gift of our hands.

Leader: O, Lord, you have searched me and know me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up.

Congregation: How wonderful are your works, O Lord.

Leader: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

Congregation: How wonderful are your works, O Lord.

Leader: You hem me in, behind and before, you knit me together in my mothers womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made!

Congregation: How wonderful are your works, O Lord!

Presenting Of The Prayer Shawls

PRAYER OF OUR KNITTERS (Our knitters will lay hands on the prayer shawls and pray..)

We remember all those for whom we knit these shawls: those who are lonely, and need to know they are loved, Those who are ill and yearn for healing of body, mind and soul, Those who face challenging decisions and search for guidance, Those who are grieving and welcome comforting words and actions, Those who are celebrating newness of life and rejoice in the warmth and richness surrounding them. Bind us together in one community of love, founded on the faith that your love and grace are everlasting. AMEN!

Leader: Now, may God's grace be upon these shawls... Warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven.. A sacred place of security and well-being, sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones. May the one who receives these shawls be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with peace, and wrapped in love. In the name that is above all names, even Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN!

*CLOSING HYMN *"I Need Thee Every Hour"* No. 397

*CHORAL BENEDICTION *"Three Fold Amen"* Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE *"Postlude"* James

*Please stand if able

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

The flowers are placed in the church today to the glory of God and in loving memory of Keith Griggs and Ralph T. and Blanche Self by the family.

All youth are encouraged to attend our meetings on Sunday nights for "The Way of The Master" series. We are learning how to share our faith more effectively.

Any youth interested in being on the **puppet team** for our mission trip needs to be at the church at 5:00pm on Sunday for practice.

UMK's are going bowling at Pin Station in Newton on Saturday, April 28. Children should be at the church no later than 9:20am and we will return at 12:30. Lunch is provided and you should wear or bring a pair of socks. Cost \$10.

Cherryville Area Ministries Board of Directors invites you to the **6th annual Songfest**. This event will be held on Saturday, April 28, at 7:00pm at First Wesleyan Church. The event is free but a love offering will be taken to assist with the building fund of CAM.

National Day of Prayer Thursday, May 3, from 12:05 - 12:35pm at the Cherryville Community Building. Devotion lead by Pastor Joe.

Graduation Sunday will be June 3. If you or a member of our church family have graduated from high school or college this school year or will graduate this school year please contact Jeanna Spiker if she has not already contacted you via email: Spiker_fumc@bellsouth.net

There will be a community **Children's Choir camp** on June 11 - 14 for children who are 4 years old - 6th grade from 9:00am - 3:00pm each day. There will be a concert held on Thursday evening, June 14. The cost is \$50.00 per child. Registration forms are on the events table. If you would like more details, please see Jeanna Spiker.

If you would like to volunteer in ministering to children through VBS please contact Jeanna Spiker or the church office. **Vacation Bible school** will be held July 8 - 12.

Beginning **May 7th** all adults interested in weight loss combined with a spiritual component and personal support are invited to participate in **“Walk With God”**. We will be meet to walk at the **Cherryville High School track on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings** from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. We will begin our exercise program with a short devotion and start walking by 9:40 am. The number of laps one walks is up to them (rest when necessary). On Fridays we will eat lunch together at Roma’s following our walk. We will be meeting throughout the month of May and into June. Talk with Pastor Joe or the church office for more details.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday, April 22

8:45am - Early Worship
 9:30am - Coffee Bar
 9:45am - Sunday School
 11:00am - Worship
 6:00pm - Youth

Wednesday, April 25

5:30pm - UMK’s
 6:00pm - Youth Bible Study
 6:30pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal

Thursday, April 26

7:00am - Youth Prayer Breakfast at Homefolk’s
 8:00am - Prayer Time in Parlor

Saturday, April 28

9:20am - UMK’s bowling

Sunday, April 29

8:45am - Early Worship
 9:45am - Sunday School
 11:00am - Worship
 6:00pm - Youth

APRIL USHERS:

Ron Hovis, Larry Gunnell, Steve Beam,
 Darin Webb, Tim Moss

NURSERY WORKERS

April 29 - Melanie Thornburg
 May 6 - Phyllis Thornburg

STEWARDSHIP REPORT APR. 15, 2018

Previous Total \$90,858.02
 Offering \$5,306.00
 Total To Date \$96,164.02
 Needs To Date \$106,426.95

ATTENDANCE – APRIL 15, 2018

Sunday School 83
 Early Worship 47
 Worship 137
Total 184

PRAYER LIST (Members)

Cone Carpenter, Joanne Carpenter, Janet Carter, Buzz Eaker, Peggy Gardo, Aura Ann McGinnis, Barbara McGinnis, Sue Nolen, Debbie Payseur, Karleen Price, Frances Putnam, C.V. Thornburg, Gary Thornburg, Earlene Williams, and all our homebound and nursing home members.

PRAYER LIST (Family & Friends)

Bill Allen, Ray Branton, Shaunda Camp, Paul & Carol Cornwell, Richard Lineberger, Cornelia Moss, Mary Wheatley, Jack Whitworth and our loved ones in the military.

LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY:

#Ethan Beck, Aron Dickerson, Kenny Greene, Jessica Lovell, *Travis Kiser, *Cody Spiker.
 #Church Member; *Stationed in the Middle East